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Description of Jazz Jams & Appeal for County Funding in 2004-05

The Jazz Jams was unanimously supported by the Leon County Commission in 2003-'04, and the \$2,000 investment was well spent. The series of outdoor jazz concerts, which took place at mostly Leon County Schools during school hours, served 5,000 children during its first year. Jazz Jams has been funded by several partners through 2006 in hopes that all elementary, middle, and high schools in Leon County will have a concert. We would like to request \$2,000 from the County to help realize this objective for the current academic year (see budget below).

The purpose of Jazz Jams is to keep the jazz legacy alive and provide children a positive music alternative. Few otherwise have an opportunity to experience live jazz or learn about this original American art form. The program's talent is provided by Jazz Studies faculty and students at FSU and FAMU. An important component of the program is classroom visitations by saxophonist and jazz educator Nathanael Mahluli to prime kids for their concert. We also supply schools with support materials on jazz, which have been well received and will have a continuing role in the curriculum.

The program is funded by Tallahassee Parks and Recreation, The Woman's Club of Tallahassee, The Links of Tallahassee, Boys & Girls Clubs, and Communities in Schools. We invite Leon County to join us again and make possible the full implementation of the Jazz Jams in 2004-'05.

Summary of 2003-'04:

Fall Concerts 2003

- 9/8 Lafayette Park (FSU, Rodney Jordan's students) 230
- 9/24 Palmer Munroe (FSU, Bill Peterson's students) 220
- 10/16 Jake Gaither (FSU, Leon Anderson's students) 150
- 10/30 Lawrence Gregory (FSU Big Band) 272
- 11/3 Apalachee Magnet School for the Arts (FAMU) 750

TOTAL: 1,622 children served

Educational Visits 2003

- 9/17, 18 Palmer Munroe (Benta Fisher) 80
- 10/14 Jake Gaither (Benta Fisher) 50
- 10/28 Lawrence Gregory (Nathanael Mahluli) 50

TOTAL: 180 children served

Spring 2004 Concerts

- 4/7 Hartsfield (FAMU, Parsons) 500
- 4/15 Killearn Lakes (FSU, Leon Anderson) 1,000
- 4/22 Springwood Elementary (FAMU, Parsons) 450
- 5/6 Raa/Ruediger (FSU, Jordan) 150
- 5/20 Bond (FAMU, Parsons) 200

TOTAL: 2,300 children served

Spring 2004 Educational Visits

- 4/30 Ruediger (Mahluli, Denson) 60
- 5/18 Bond (Mahluli, Denson) 75
- 5/26 School for Arts and Sciences (Mahluli, Denson) 100

TOTAL: 235 children served

Summer 2004 Concerts

7/15 Winthrop Park 9:30 a.m. (FAMU, Andrews) 68

7/22 Boys & Girls Club, Laura Lee Ave. 10:00 a.m. (FSU, Mahluli + dancers) 198
TOTAL: 266

Summer 2004 Educational Visits (all double sessions)

June 28 2 p.m. Lawrence Gregory (Mahluli/bass player) 90

June 29 2 p.m. Levy Park (Mahluli/Anderson) (30 age 5-8; 25 age 9+) 55

June 30 2 p.m. Optimist Park (Mahluli/Anderson) (35 age 5-8; 25 age 9+) 60

July 1 2 p.m. Myers Park (Mahluli/Anderson) (60 age 5-10; 25 age 11+) 85

July 19 2 p.m. B&G Club (Mahluli/Gobel) 33

July 20 2 p.m. B&G Club (Mahluli/Jordan) 42

July 21 2 p.m. B&G Club (Mahluli/Jordan) 28

TOTAL: 393

Fall Concerts scheduled for 2004

9/23 Astoria Park (600)

10/7 Oak Ridge

10/21 Gilchrist

11/4 Pineview

Jazz Jams Budget 2004-2005

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Balance from previous season	\$1,173.00
Woman's Club (paid)	2,000.00
CISLeon (pledged)	2,000.00
Boys & Girls (pledged)	1,000.00
Links (pledged)	2,000.00
Leon County (requested)	2,000.00
Tal. Parks & Rec. (committed in-kind)	9,000.00
	\$19,173,00

Expenses

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10 in-school concerts in Leon Co. Schools	5,000.00
1 concert in Gadsden County	500.00
1 concert at FAMU DRS	500.00
1 concert at Boys & Girls Club	500.00
17 educational visits (dbl sessions) by 2 musicians	3,400.00
Travel, guest artists, miscellaneous	273.00
Stage, sound, logistical, & technical support	9,000.00
	\$19,173.00

Submitted by Margaret Van Every, Coordinator 894-2302